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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

David Shepherd

Application No.: 09/410,545

Filed: October 1, 1999

For: A METHOD AND APPARATUS
FOR LOADING AND STORING DATA
IN A COMPUTER SYSTEM

Examiner: Kenneth S. Kim

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 19, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 5, lines 16-27, please amend the paragraphs as follows:

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Fig. 11 illustrates a simplified block diagram of the align and sign extension block;

Fig. 12 shows a specific embodiment of a 8 byte Right Rotator 800 of the present invention;

Fig. 13 shows an example of how a 4-byte unaligned word load instruction achieves alignment in different Endianness;